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HONGKONG, DECEMBER 31st, 1897.

The contention put forward by the Japan

Mail, that the provision with reference to

"Chusan and its dependencies" in the

Boca Tigris Convention was intended to

secure the whole coast between Canton and

the mouth of the Yangtze against foreign

aggression, may be accepted as correct in

a general sense, but seems to us too limited in

its scope. In 1840 there was not much

thought of foreign aggression in China, and

Great Britain secured her lien on Chusan

at that time, simply because it was an

advantageous point from which to protect

should occasion arise, her then existing

interests of any interest that might be

acquired thereafter. There was nothing in

the circumstances of the time to pre-

dictate that it was intended to prevent

foreign aggression south of that river,

except that our trade interests in the

South were greater than in the North. Since

that time, however, Tientsin has grown into

a place of importance, British interests there

being of considerable magnitude and not

to be lightly sacrificed. Our interests at

Nanchang and Chefoo are also worth con-

sideration. If there is to be a partitioning of

China, however, or a delimitation of spheres

of influence, it may be that Great Britain,

while securing by agreement her existing

trading privileges in the North as far as

possible, may have to confine her attention

as regards the territorial question to the

South.

Our Yokohama contemporary says—

"The idea of England's entering into

"an agreement, or accepting even the

"bare suggestion of an understanding, with

"any European Power, is map out, mutual

"spheres of influence" or lines of partition

"in China is not to be entertained for

"an instant. Without pretending to claim

"any high standard of international mor-

"ality for the British nation, we do allege

"that a plundering project of that nature

"would be heeded throughout the length and

"breadth of the land." Whether the pro-

"ject can be properly described as a plundering

"one depends on the circumstances. Empire

"has been forced on us in other parts of the

world, often against our will, and it may be

forced on us in China. As our contem-

porary says further on in his article, "events

"have naturally shaped themselves so that

"England, if confronted with the con-

"tingency of foreign aggression in the

"districts lying between the mouth of the

"Yangtze and Hongkong, would be justified

"in pointing to the history of her relations

"with China since 1840, and in claiming

"that a sphere has been delimited for her

"by a train of incidents not to be miscon-

"strued or minimized." But, confronted

"with foreign aggression, something more

"practical than pointing at history would be

"required. Are we to fight in order to main-

"tain a corrupt and incapable Government in

"power, or solve the difficulty once and for all

"by taking the rule into our own hands? If

"the latter course were adopted it could not

"under the circumstances be described as a

"plundering project," nor would it be

"booted throughout the length and breadth

"of the land."

The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's fifth

Club meet is postponed to the 9th January.

The N. P. steamer Victoria arrived at Tientsin

from Hongkong and Japan on the 26th instant.

No. 1 Kowloon Ginoway a Chinaman was

yesterday sentenced to six weeks imprisonment

with hard labour.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Allot Memorial

and Netherland Hospitals begs to acknowledge

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A most serious case of cruelty to a girl came

before the Magistrate yesterday. A woman was

charged with the offence, and the allegation is

that she subjected the girl to dreadful pains and

beat her badly about the head. The girl is

now in the hospital and the prisoner was, on the

application of Inspector Butler, remanded.

Hongkong papers received yesterday report

all quiet at that town and that the alarm oc-

casioned by the attack of the 18th December had

subsided. On the 18th eleven of the pirates

were despatched. One of them, a leader, had

committed suicide the previous night in order

to escape the execution, but his body was carried

to the execution ground and decapitated with

the others. The execution was witnessed by a

large crowd, including a number of ladies.

There was a crop of accidents in the harbour

on Wednesday, the result being that one life

was lost. The first accident occurred early in

the morning, when the tugboat Tug collided

with a boat, the occupants of which were

temporarily rescued. Late in the afternoon the

second accident occurred. The *Living Star*

steamer ran into a sampan and the occupants,

a man, his wife, and five children, were

knocked overboard. The children, who were

about twelve months old, were drowned. The

steamer, the *Living Star*, struck a coal boat,

which was sunk without loss of life.

At the Magistrate's yesterday, before Hon.

H. E. Wedderburn, Esq., a building con-

tractor, of Stanton Street, charged his con-

complaint against a woman, who was charged

with the offence of stealing a box of

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SUPREME COURT

30th December.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

Report Sir JOHN CAMPBELL (Chief Justice).

GUERNEY AND OTHERS v. HELLIER.

The hearing was resumed of the equity suit

between the plaintiffs, D. A. Guernsey, A. J. Ray-

mond, and A. J. David, petitioners, and the

defendants, Messrs. Heller, Messrs. Heller, and

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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FROM HONGKONG, YOKOHAMA, SHANGHAI, AND MOBI

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees are hereby notified that the Goods of the above Steamer are to be delivered to them at the Consignees' risk.

Cargo impounding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1897.

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